

1800 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036-1221 202.778.9000 Fax 202.778.9100 www.klng.com

July 6, 2005

Ms. Rini Ghosh Attorney-Advisor Section of Environmental Analysis Surface Transportation Board Room 504 1925 K Street, NW Washington, DC 20423 Janie C. I. Sheng

202.778.9855 Fax: 202.778.9100 jsheng@klng.com

Re: Docket No. AB-933X

Dakota, Missouri Valley & Western Railroad, Inc. --

Abandonment Exemption --

In Burleigh and Emmons Counties, North Dakota

Dear Ms. Ghosh:

Dakota, Missouri Valley & Western Railroad, Inc. ("DMVW") has consulted with the appropriate county floodplain administrators as indicated by the Board's May 31, 2005 decision. On July 5, 2005, DMVW consulted with Mr. William Augustadt and Mr. Del Svalen of Burleigh and Emmons Counties, respectively, regarding possible flood hazards that could be incurred by salvage activities and the development of measures to mitigate any such hazards. Neither Mr. Augustadt nor Mr. Svalen had any concerns regarding the salvage activities as planned. As a result, such condition should be removed.

Respectfully submitted.

Janie Sheng

Attorney for Dakota, Missouri Valley & Western Railroad, Inc.

cc: Ms. Victoria Rutson